

A map of Iraq and surrounding regions, with Iraq highlighted in yellow. The map shows the Persian Gulf to the east and the Mediterranean Sea to the north.

# **Iraq Weekly Status Report**

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### 8. Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents

Prayers from a Sunni mosque in Baghdad were broadcast live on Iraqi state television for the first time since 2003 in an effort to promote national reconciliation. Nawfal al-Dahash, manager of the state-run Iraqiya television channel said, "We will start doing live broadcasts from mosques from both sects. This is to enhance national unity and to prove that there is no difference between Shia and Sunnis."



## [1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

### Increased Security Trend Over the Last Four Months:

- Lieutenant General Robert Odierno, MNF-I Ground Forces Commander, reports that due to Phantom Thunder and Phantom Strike, Coalition forces (CF) and Iraqi Security Forces (ISF) have been able to eliminate key safe havens, liberate portions of the population and hamper the enemy's ability to conduct coordinated attacks. There is a consistent and steady trend of increased security over the last four months.
- The four-month decline includes Ramadan, a time during the previous three years when enemy activity has traditionally spiked. Also, total attack levels are back below their levels since the first Samarra mosque bombing in February 2006 -- an event that ignited a wave of sectarian violence.
- LTG Odierno attributes the progress to three prominent dynamics. First, the surge allowed U.S. and CF to eliminate extremist safe havens and sanctuaries. Second, the ongoing quantitative and qualitative improvement of the ISF are translating to ever-increasing tactical successes. Lastly, there's a clear rejection of al-Qaida and other extremists by large segments of the population, coupled with the bottom-up awakening movement by both Sunni and Shia who want a chance to reconcile with the government of Iraq.
- Iraqi civilian deaths have also declined in recent months in step with the overall decline in violence. Additionally, sectarianism, while still present, has shown signs of diminishing.

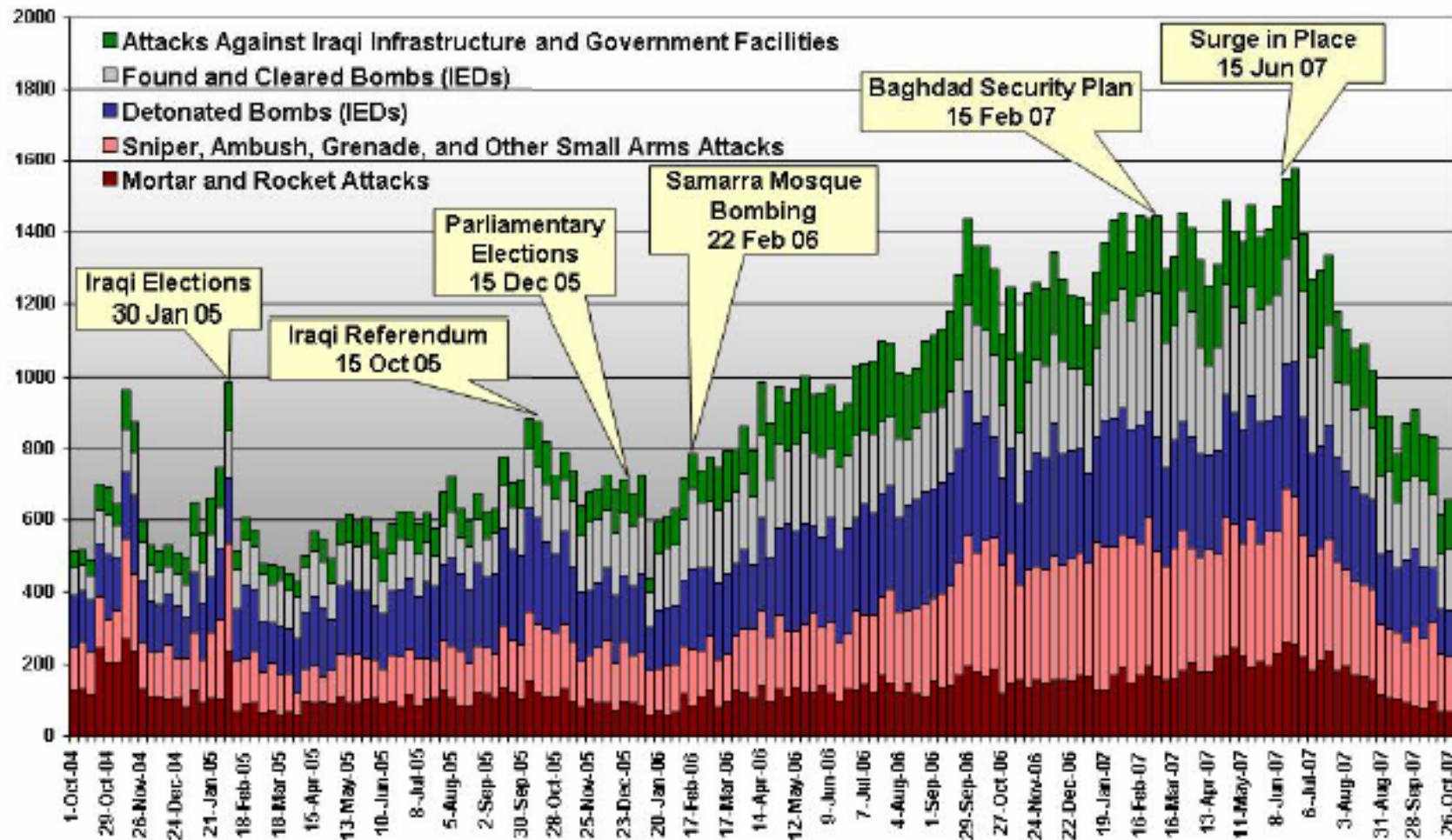


# [1.] Defeat the Terrorists and Neutralize the Insurgency

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## Overall Weekly Iraq Attack Trends

25 September 2004 – 26 October 2007







## [2.] Transition to Security Self-Reliance – Iraqi Security Forces

### Iraqi Army Distributes Micro-grants:

- Baghdad soldiers distributed micro-grants to small business owners in Jamia, a western neighborhood of the Iraqi capital October 17. The Khadra Neighborhood Advisory Council, along with Iraqi and U.S. Soldiers distributed micro-grants to 42 business owners of up to \$2,500 to start-up, improve or re-open their businesses. The total amount of money distributed was \$100,000.
- The promise of micro-grant assistance from Coalition forces and the improved security in Jamia provided by the Iraqi Army have allowed the shopping area of Shar al-Rabee to re-open and to begin rebuilding.

### Military Police Training in Numaniyah:

- The Numaniyah Army training facility, home to the only Iraqi Military Police (MP) course in Iraq, currently runs a nine-week course where students learn basic police skills with classroom and hands-on training in areas such as apprehension, searching, detaining, self-defense and checkpoint stops. The students are able to learn the material and then apply it in a practical setting.
- Since 2005, the school has put roughly 4,700 Iraqi soldiers through the MP school. It is the school's intent to be the sole producer of MPs at all levels.



## [2.] Transition Iraq to Security Self-Reliance – Iraqi Security Forces

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### Ministry of Interior Forces

COMPONENT	TRAINED & EQUIPPED
POLICE	~135,000
NATIONAL POLICE	~ 26,300
OTHER MOI FORCES	~32,900
TOTAL	~194,200*

### Ministry of Defense Forces

COMPONENT	OPERATIONAL
ARMY	~163,500***
AIR FORCE	~900
NAVY	~1,100
TOTAL	~165,500**

### Total Trained & Equipped ISF:

**~359,700\*\*\*\***

\* Ministry of Interior Forces: Unauthorized absence personnel are included in these numbers

\*\* Ministry of Defense Forces: Unauthorized absence personnel are not included in these numbers

\*\*\* Army numbers include Special Operations Forces and Support Forces

\*\*\*\* Does not include the approximately 144,000 Facilities Protection Service personnel working in 27 ministries

Latest Data Available





### [3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government

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#### Iraqi Prime Minister Promises Action Against Kurdish Rebels:

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#### New KRG Oil Deals Threaten National Reconciliation:

- The GOI and Oil Ministry officials have accused the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) of subverting hydrocarbons legislation after the KRG signed several new oil exploration deals with foreign companies this week. The agreement gives the KRG the authority to develop oil fields in northern Ninewah province as well as northern Kirkuk, which are currently disputed territories with large ethnic Sunni populations.



### [3.] Help Iraqis to Forge a National Compact for Democratic Government - **Iraqi National Unity Government**

		<b>Deputy President</b> Tariq al-Hashimi	<b>President</b> Jalal Talabani	<b>Deputy President</b> 'Adil 'Abd al-Mahdi	
		<b>Deputy Prime Minister</b> Barham Salih	<b>Prime Minister</b> Nuri al-Maliki	<b>Deputy Prime Minister</b> Salam al-Zawba'i	(F) = Female * Vacant
<b>Minister of Agriculture</b> Ali al-Bahadeli	<b>Minister of Communications</b> Muhammad Tawfiq Allawi	<b>Minister of Culture</b> *	<b>Minister of Defense</b> Abdul Qadir Muhammed Jasim	<b>Minister of Displacement &amp; Migration</b> Abd al-Samad Rahman Sultan	<b>Minister of Electricity</b> Karim Wahid
<b>Minister of Education</b> Khudayyir al-Khuza'i	<b>Minister of Environment</b> Narmin 'Uthman (F)	<b>Minister of Finance</b> Bayan Jabr	<b>Minister of Foreign Affairs</b> Hoshyar Zebari	<b>Minister of Health</b> Saleh al-Hasnawi	<b>Minister of Higher Education</b> Abd Dhiyab al-Ajili
<b>Minister of Human Rights</b> Wijdan Mikha'il (F)	<b>Minister of Industry &amp; Minerals</b> Fawzi al-Hariri	<b>Minister of Interior</b> Jawad al-Bulani	<b>Minister of Justice</b> Safa al Safi (acting)	<b>Minister of Housing &amp; Construction</b> Bayan Daza'l (F)	<b>Minister of Labor &amp; Social Affairs</b> Mahmud Muhammad Jawad al-Radi
<b>Minister of Oil</b> Husayn al-Shahristani	<b>Minister of Planning</b> Ali Baban	<b>Minister of Trade</b> Abd al-Falah al-Sudani	<b>Minister of Science &amp; Technology</b> Ra'id Fahmi Jahid	<b>Minister of Municipalities &amp; Public Works</b> Riyad Ghurayyib	<b>Minister of Transportation</b> *
<b>Minister of Water Resources</b> 'Abd al-Latif Rashid	<b>Minister of Youth &amp; Sports</b> Jasim Muhammad Ja'far	<b>Minister of State for Civil Society</b> Wijdan Mikha'il (acting)	<b>Minister of State for National Dialogue Affairs</b> Akram al-Hakim	<b>Minister of State for National Security Affairs</b> Shirwan al-Waili	
<b>Minister of State for Foreign Affairs</b> Rafi Hiyad al-Isawi	<b>Minister of State for Governorates Affairs</b> *	<b>Minister of State for Tourism and Antiquities</b> *	<b>Minister of State for Women's Affairs</b> Fatin Abd al-Rahman Mahmud (F)	<b>Minister of State for CoR Affairs</b> Safa al-Safi	



## [4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Financials from Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund (IRRF) 1 and IRRF 2

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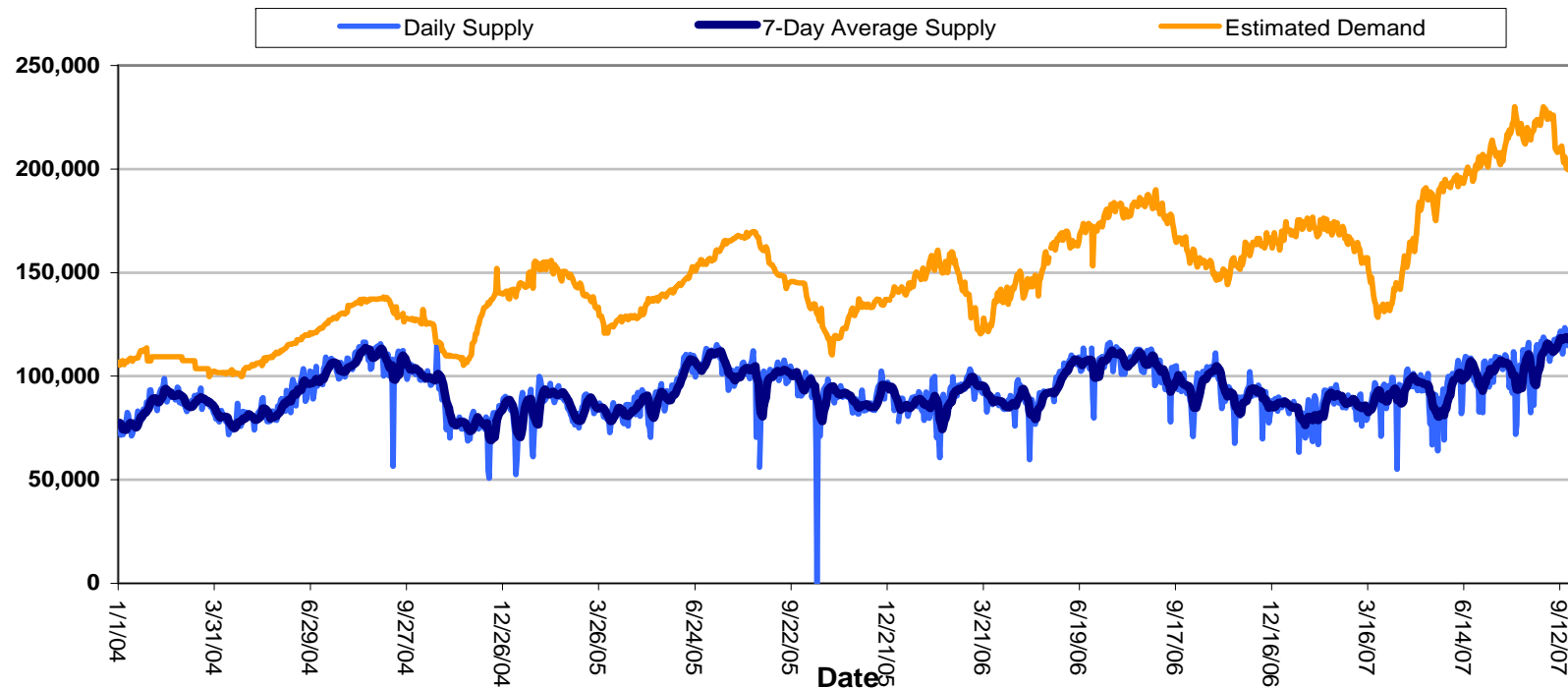
Sector			Committed			Obligated			Disbursed		
	Apportioned	Unapportioned	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change	Last Week	Current	Change
Security and Law Enforcement	\$4,983.67	\$20.85	\$4,861.22	\$4,361.24	(\$509.97)	\$4,859.83	\$4,361.24	(\$508.68)	\$4,828.89	\$4,252.59	(\$576.30)
Justice, Public Safety and Civil Society	\$2,283.37	\$24.29	\$2,259.57	\$2,244.00	(\$15.68)	\$2,252.41	\$2,242.88	(\$9.70)	\$2,087.32	\$2,117.85	\$20.93
Electricity Sector	\$4,199.46	\$25.63	\$4,125.03	\$4,047.83	(\$77.19)	\$4,006.63	\$4,047.13	\$40.50	\$3,506.65	\$3,575.61	\$68.96
Oil Infrastructure	\$1,713.28	\$11.42	\$1,594.35	\$1,595.01	\$0.66	\$1,545.57	\$1,595.01	\$49.44	\$1,478.89	\$1,533.47	\$54.78
Water Resources and Sanitation	\$2,076.29	\$25.38	\$1,975.75	\$1,971.38	(\$4.37)	\$1,930.88	\$1,971.28	\$40.39	\$1,886.77	\$1,719.11	\$32.34
Transportation and Communications	\$452.86	\$4.04	\$452.83	\$449.80	(\$3.13)	\$449.58	\$449.80	\$0.22	\$362.35	\$372.33	\$9.98
Roads, Bridges and Construction	\$329.23	\$4.38	\$322.80	\$321.59	(\$1.21)	\$320.82	\$321.59	\$0.77	\$233.32	\$235.78	\$2.45
Health Care	\$787.78	\$24.70	\$771.08	\$775.01	\$3.93	\$761.40	\$774.98	\$13.59	\$690.51	\$703.01	\$12.49
Private Sector Development	\$820.51	\$2.04	\$819.07	\$819.42	\$0.34	\$819.07	\$819.42	\$0.34	\$800.37	\$800.71	\$0.33
Education, Refugees, Human Rights, Governance	\$428.17	\$10.42	\$422.98	\$421.04	(\$1.94)	\$422.83	\$420.88	(\$1.94)	\$388.87	\$388.75	(\$0.12)
Admin Expense (USAID, STATE)	\$213.00	\$0.00	\$209.39	\$209.39	\$0.00	\$209.39	\$209.39	\$0.00	\$207.88	\$207.88	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,295.71</b>	<b>\$153.24</b>	<b>\$17,914.19</b>	<b>\$17,215.72</b>	<b>(\$698.47)</b>	<b>\$17,678.51</b>	<b>\$17,213.38</b>	<b>(\$465.13)</b>	<b>\$16,281.43</b>	<b>\$15,906.68</b>	<b>(\$374.75)</b>
<b>IRRF II Non-Construction</b>	-	-	\$7,710.98	\$7,393.72	(\$317.24)	\$7,702.78	\$7,391.52	(\$311.28)	\$7,332.71	\$7,085.82	(\$287.09)
<b>IRRF II Construction</b>	-	-	\$9,683.53	\$9,302.37	(\$381.16)	\$9,456.02	\$9,302.22	(\$153.81)	\$8,439.11	\$8,325.74	(\$113.38)
<b>IRRF II Overhead</b>	-	-	\$519.70	\$519.64	(\$0.06)	\$519.70	\$519.64	(\$0.06)	\$509.60	\$515.32	\$5.72
<b>IRRF I Total</b>	<b>\$2,475.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,291.00</b>	<b>\$2,291.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,232.3</b>	<b>\$2,232.3</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,139.00</b>	<b>\$2,139.0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total IRRF I &amp; II</b>	<b>\$20,770.71</b>	<b>\$153.24</b>	<b>\$20,205.19</b>	<b>\$19,506.72</b>	<b>(\$698.47)</b>	<b>\$19,910.81</b>	<b>\$19,445.68</b>	<b>(\$465.13)</b>	<b>\$18,420.43</b>	<b>\$18,045.68</b>	<b>(\$374.75)</b>



## [4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – Electricity Overview

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Daily Electricity Supplied and Estimated Demand in Iraq Since January 2004



- Electricity supply has declined from the record levels it reached in September and early October but still is consistently above the year-earlier period. For October 31-November 6 daily electricity demand was 13% above the same period in 2006. Daily supply from the grid was 9% above the year-earlier period and met 60% of total electricity demand, compared with 62% for the year-earlier period.
- Average hours of power via electricity grid after meeting demand from essential services: Baghdad 9.6 and nationwide 12.9. Year-ago levels were Baghdad 8.6 and nationwide 12.1.



#### [4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Provision of Essential Services**

##### Oil:

- The Ministers of Oil and Electricity have fully reviewed all 2007 and upcoming projects for their respective ministries. The Minister of Oil, Husayn al-Shahristani, stated that there will be no increase in fuel prices. In addition, he stated that Iraq's oil revenues over the last ten months reached more than \$29 billion. Furthermore, the Minister of Oil insists the country will manage without importing petroleum products due to work being initiated at the Nasiriyah refinery.
- Iraq reported November 5 it has sold more oil quantities of Kirkuk crude oil from its northern oil fields while the number of civilian victims of bombing and assassinations reached record lows. According to al-Sabaah (a local Iraqi newspaper), last month's exports increased to reach 1.84 million barrels per day (bpd) up from 1.67 million bpd in September. This is the highest monthly level since September 2004.



## [4.] Help Iraq Build Government Capacity and Provide Essential Services – **Government Capacity**

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### Kirkuk:

- The Kirkuk Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) reported that the province has obligated 67.5% of its reconstruction budget, an increase from last week. The province has dispersed 25.6%.
- Black market prices of most refined products again decreased. Demand for kerosene was low due to moderate weather and because consumers have supplies ready to hedge against shortages or higher prices during the winter. Electricity during the reporting period held steady with the national grid supplying 18 hours per day to the Province, and households seeing 15-16 hours per day.

### Baghdad:

- The Baghdad PRT reports that vocational training was provided to 2,877 people for the period of October 21-27. To date, 10,978 students have graduated from vocational training. Over 7,000 of those have been placed in either apprenticeships or other employment.
- USAID's stabilization and other programs have generated jobs and other activities for 39,822 workers during the reporting period. Short term employment was provided to 22,549 workers and long term employment to 17,273 workers.





## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Oil Update and Job Creation

### Oil Update:

- Crude oil price averages in world markets for the week ending November 2 closed with the following prices:
  - Basrah Light at \$85.97/ barrel
  - WTI Cushing at \$93.572/ barrel
  - Dated Brent at \$90.134/barrel
  - Oman/Dubai at \$83.952/barrel

### Employment Update:

Employment Program	Iraqis Last Week	Iraqis This Week	% Change
Gulf Region District (GRD) (Includes MILCON/OMA)	24,991	22,557	-9.74%
US Agency for International Development (USAID)	84,111	84,111	0.00%
Commander's Emergency Response Program (CERP)	3,206	3,021	-5.77%
Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq (MNSTC-I)	4,034	6,801	68.59%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>116,342</b>	<b>116,490</b>	<b>0.13%</b>

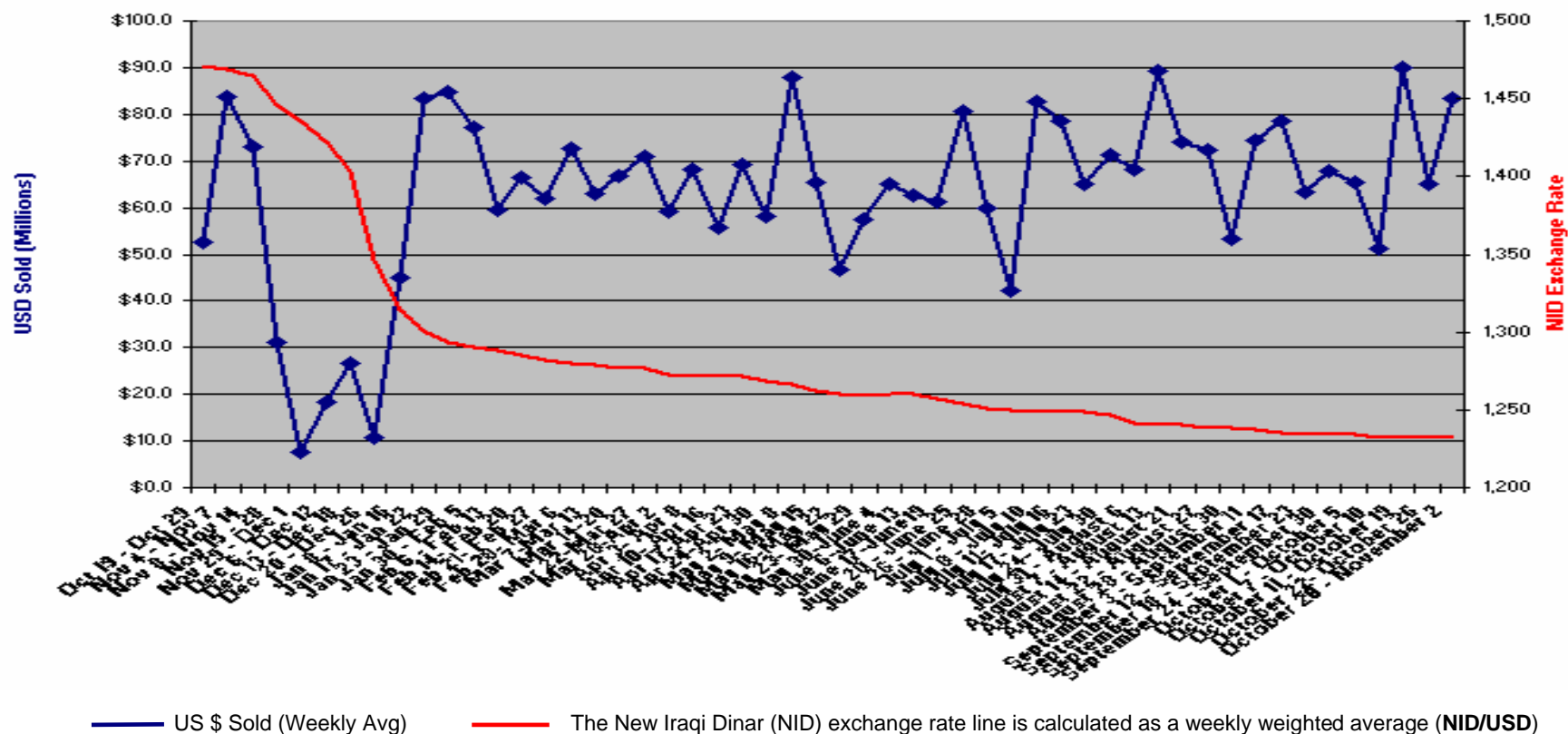


## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy - Banking Sector

### Central Bank's US Dollar (USD) Currency Auction:

- The following table shows volume sold of and exchange rates for USD in the Iraqi currency auction since April. Since September, the Central Bank of Iraq (CBI) has slowly appreciated the dinar, as suggested by the IMF, in an effort to rein in inflation. These policies have begun to bear fruit, as overall year-to-date inflation is 8.8%, which projects a pace well below the IMF annual target of 25%. The tendency for accelerated price increases in the last three months of the year remains a concern, however. The CBI will likely continue its appreciation of the Iraqi Dinar and maintain interest rates to fight further inflationary pressure.

**Central Bank of Iraq  
USD Currency Auction: October 29, 2006 – November 2, 2007**



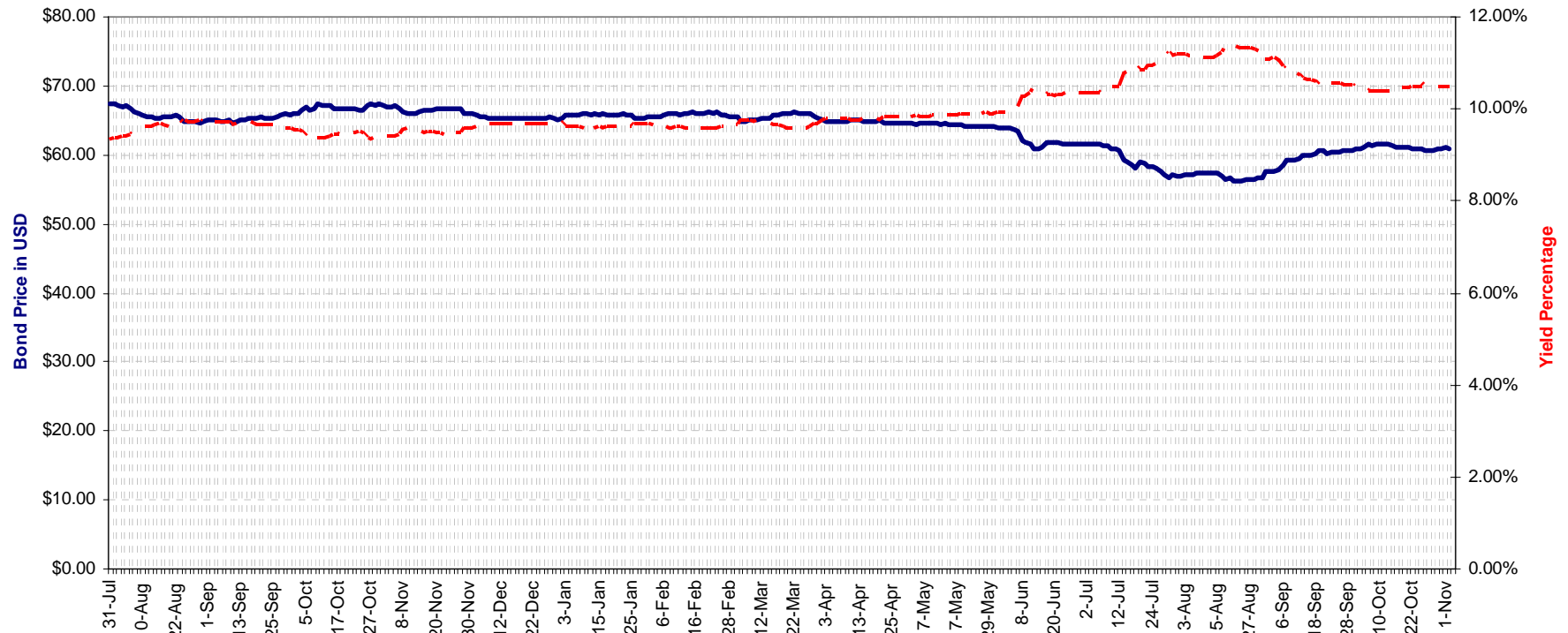


## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Securities Markets

### Trading of Iraqi Bonds on the International Secondary Bond Market:

- The following table shows the daily bond resale price and yield on Iraqi bonds issued January 20. The bonds were originally issued to approximately two-thirds of Iraq's commercial creditors as part of a debt exchange arrangement as per Paris Club terms. Iraq's commercial debt was approximately \$22 billion before the debt-swap arrangement. The bonds, which are not yet rated, will mature in 2028.

**Iraqi Commercial Bond Sales**  
July 24, 2006 - November 2, 2007



Trading High = \$73.98 (January 24)

Trading Low = \$64.66 (August 30)



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### Irbil International Fair:

- Several Regional Reconstruction Team (RRT) members attended the Irbil International Fair October 29 through November 2, which was organized by the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) to support trade and investment in northern Iraq. KRG Prime Minister Nechirvan Barzani opened the Fair with a speech that noted the open investment environment in the KRG areas, and commented that the recent border tensions with Turkey must be solved through peaceful dialogue. Over 300 companies from 22 countries attended the fair, representing the construction, communications, banking, electricity, and automobile sectors.

### Provincial Micro-Lending Program Announced:

- The Minister of Labor and Social Affairs announced that Iraq's 18 provinces will each receive \$30 million for micro-loans to help reduce unemployment throughout the country. The project's aim is to eventually reduce unemployment and underemployment throughout the country. One ministry official indicated that the money will be extended as soft loans, and disbursed to start up small businesses. He also noted that the provinces are under obligation to use the money solely for employment purposes.



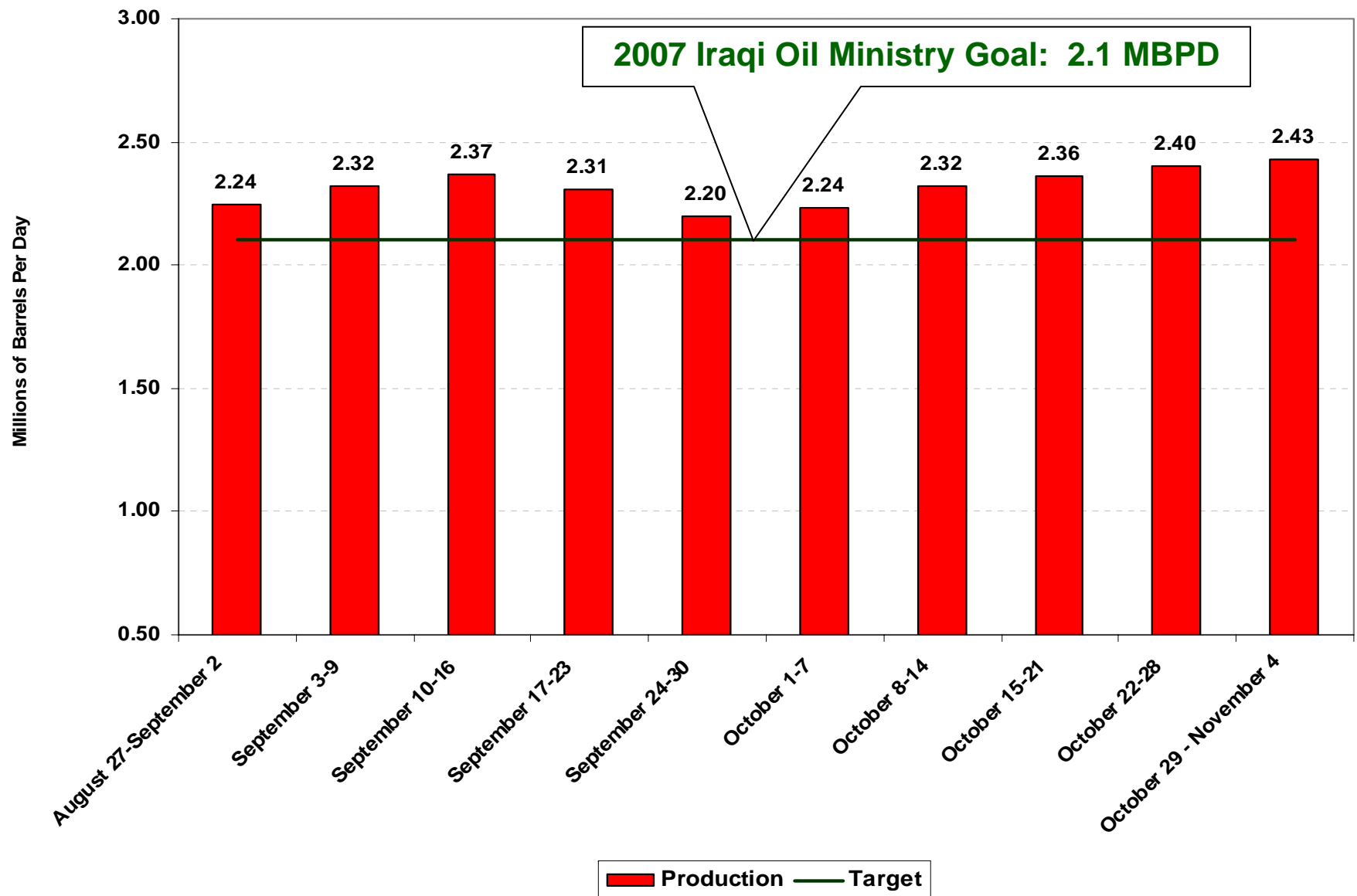
## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Economic Events

### Poor Standard of Living Blamed on Poor Government Performance:

- Some economic circles have voiced concerns that the decline in the standard of living in Iraq is attributable to the weak performance of the government in providing public services. Madhar Mohamed Salih, Counselor of the Iraqi Central Bank, suggested that 50% of the State's revenues are directed to unproductive projects. Salih was quoted as saying that it is "a contributing factor to the high inflation rates." Economic observers believe that the most important factor in raising the standard of living is to increase oil production and raise oil exports to 3.5 million barrels per day (mbpd) (Note: Export levels are currently rising, but have averaged 1.64 mbpd for 2007). The economic advisor to the Ministry of Industry, Yaqub Shonia, stated that the lack of production in industrial, agricultural, and services sectors has caused flooding of the Iraqi market with inferior imported goods.



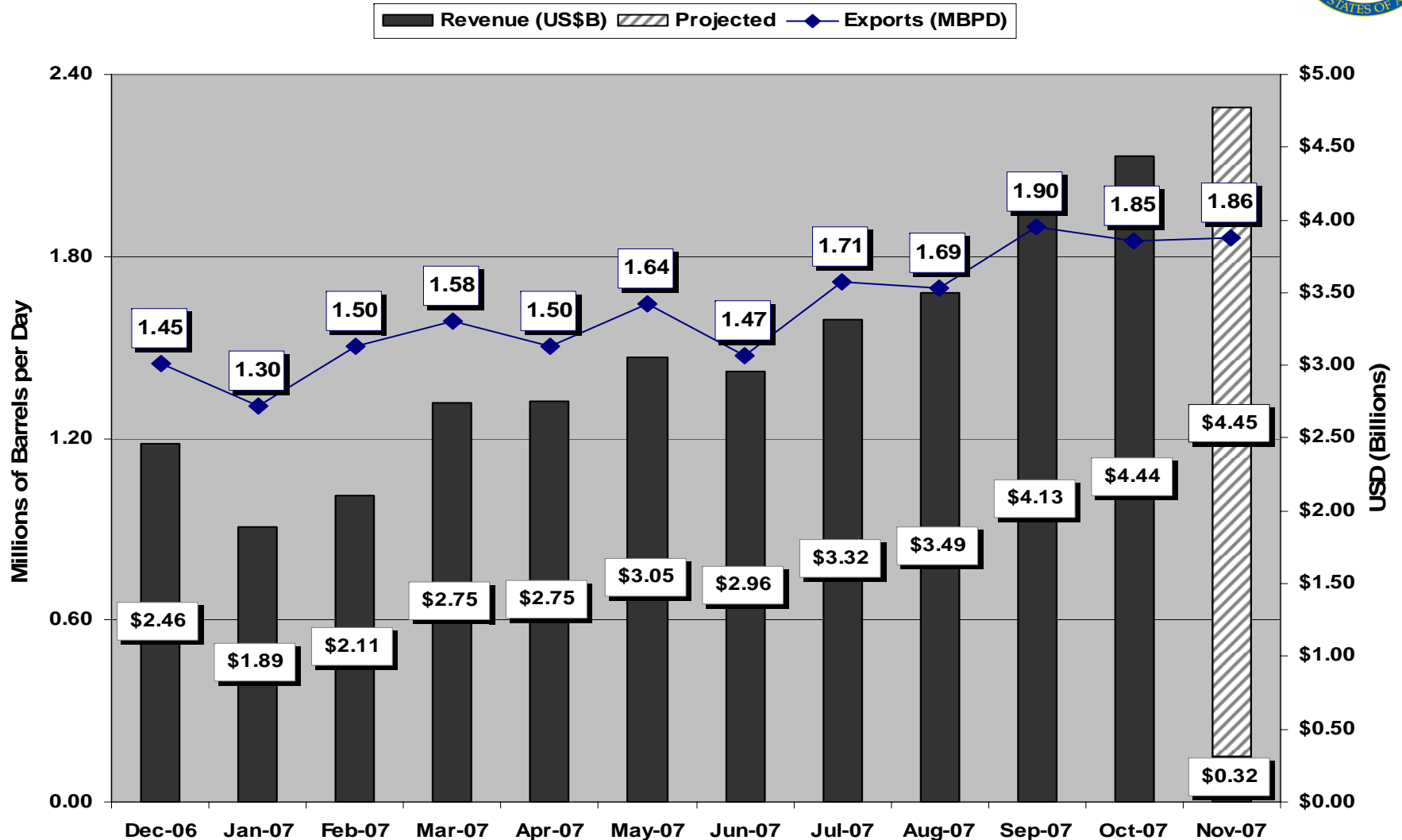
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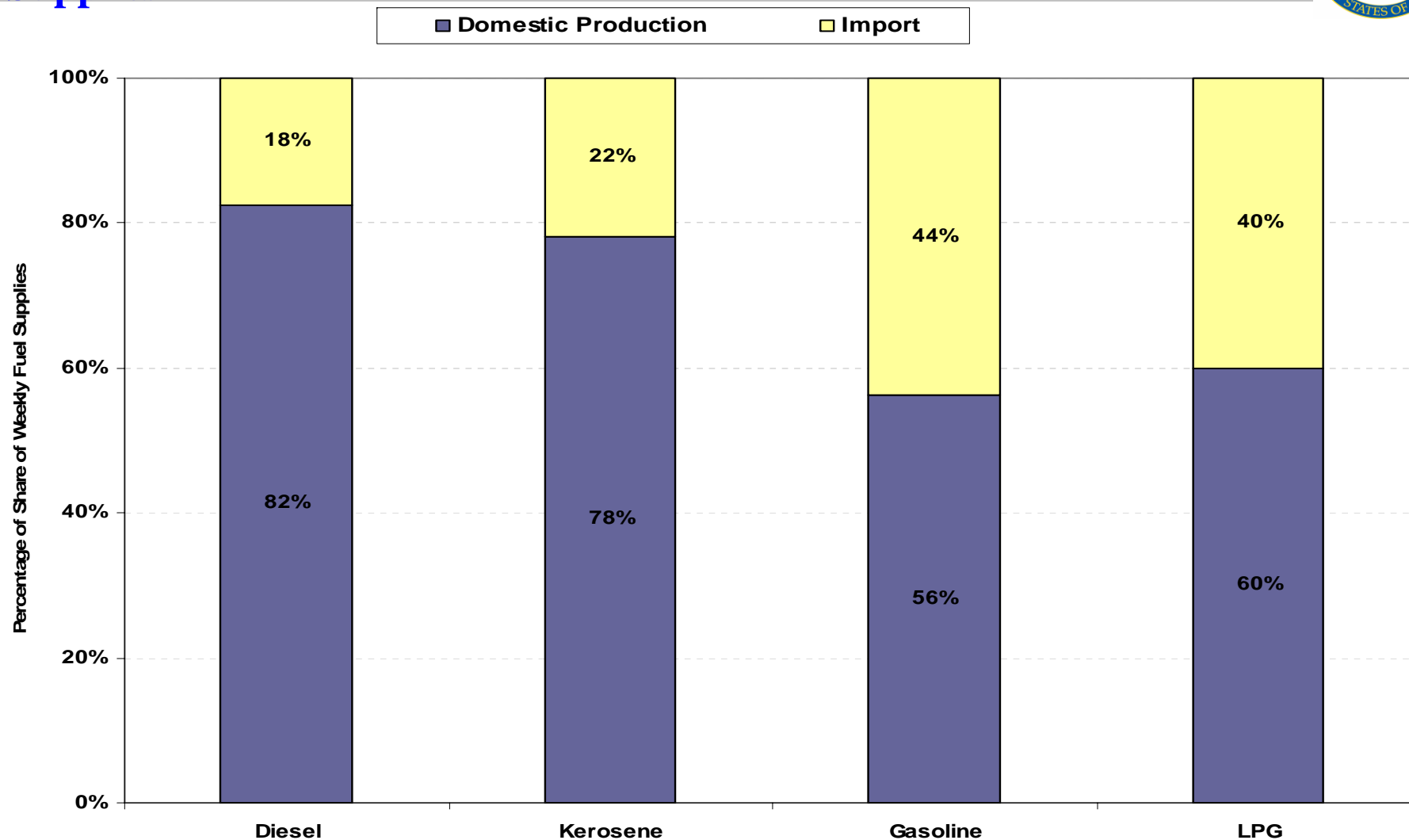
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- 2006 Revenue Estimate: \$31.3 Billion
- 2007 Revenue Estimate: \$31.2 Billion (Year to Date)



## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – Total Critical Refined Product Supplies

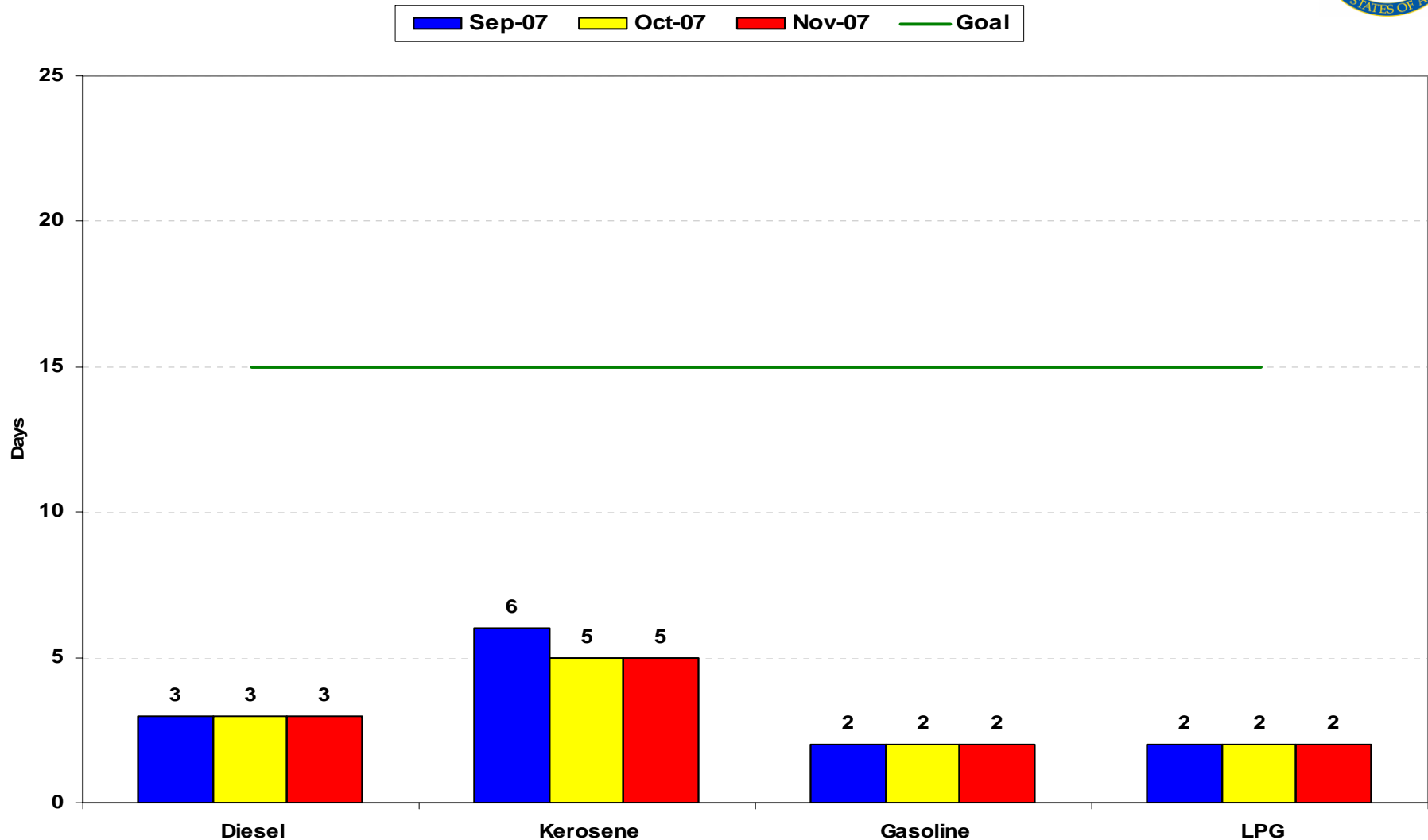


Note: This is a daily average for October 29 – November 4

- Diesel: 13.6 ML supply of 24.5 ML target
- Kerosene: 8.0 ML supply of 14.6 ML target
- Gasoline: 17.3 ML supply of 26.8 ML target
- LPG: 3,751 tons supply of 5,100 tons target



## [5.] Help Iraq Strengthen Its Economy – National Stock Levels



- The goal is to have on hand 15 days supply of all refined products, calculated on the basis of maximum consumption over the year and not adjusted for seasonal variation. The numbers given above are monthly averages.



## [6.] Help Iraq Strengthen the Rule of Law and Promote Civil Rights— Rule of Law

### Handover of Iraqi High Tribunal Control to Government of Iraq:

- A Multi-National Forces-Iraq Task Force committee is preparing for the upcoming transition of Iraqi High Tribunal (IHT) control to the government of Iraq. Currently, transition is slated to take place when the Regime Crimes Liaison Office is demobilized in the first quarter of 2008.

### Iraqi National Police Discover Three Caches Within 10 Days:

- Iraqi National Police discovered a weapons cache based off a resident's tip in the southeast district of New Baghdad in the Iraqi capital October 28.
- The tip led the policemen to discover eight 80mm mortar rockets, seven 60mm mortar rockets, nine rocket propelled grenade rounds with three launchers, one explosively formed projectile, three grenades, one mortar tube with base plate and tripod, 300 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition, two sets of body armor and copper wire.
- This is the third cache found in fewer than ten days by Iraqi Security Forces. Four days ago, National Police found 52 122mm rockets, also based off a tip from a concerned citizen. The cache was later destroyed by an explosive ordnance disposal team.



## [7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – **Developments**

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### Expanded Iraq Neighbors Ministerial held in Istanbul:

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### Poland's Civic Platform Leader Set to Change Military Mission in Iraq:

- Poland's October parliamentary election winner Civic Platform (PO) leader Donald Tusk announced that he will make changes to the country's military mission in Iraq in 2008. Tusk, who is expected to be designated Prime Minister by the President this week, said that in "agreement with our most important ally, the United States," Poland will change the character of its presence in Iraq. Tusk did not elaborate his plan.



## [7.] Increase International Support for Iraq – Contributors to Iraqi Stability Operations

### 28 Countries with forces in Iraq (including U.S.)

Albania	Denmark	Korea	Romania
Armenia	El Salvador	Latvia	Singapore
Australia	Estonia	Lithuania	Slovakia
Azerbaijan	Georgia	Macedonia	Slovenia
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Japan	Moldova	Tonga
Bulgaria	Kazakhstan	Mongolia	Ukraine
Czech Republic		Poland	United Kingdom

**TOTAL ~ 11,668 Forces**

### **33 Countries and NATO\*** (including the U.S.) **Support Iraqi Stability Operations**

\*33 includes the U.S., the 27 countries listed above, and six non-MNF-I countries: Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Turkey

Note: Fiji and New Zealand, participating as a part of the UN mission in Iraq, are not included.





## [8.] Strengthen Public Understanding of Coalition Efforts and Public Isolation of the Insurgents – **Developments**

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### Iraqi State TV Shows Live Prayers from Sunni Mosque:

- Prayers from a Sunni mosque in Baghdad were broadcast live on Iraqi state television for the first time since 2003 in an effort to promote national reconciliation. Nawfal al-Dahash, manager of the state-run Iraqiya television channel said, "We will start doing live broadcasts from mosques from both sects. This is to enhance national unity and to prove that there is no difference between Shia and Sunnis."

### Iraqi Christian made Cardinal by the Pope:

- The Pope named Emmanuel Delly to the College of Cardinals October 17. Cardinal Delly, 81, is the patriarch of the Baghdad-based Chaldean Church. "Christians and Muslims have lived together here for 1,400 years," Cardinal Delly said, "We have much in common; in Iraq, the Christian house is next to the Muslim house."

### Former State Tourism Minister Returns Antiquities to Iraq:

- State Tourism and Antiquities (T&A) Minister Mohammed Abass al-Areabi received several important antiquities from the Sadr Bureau in Baghdad. A ministry source said that Dr. Loma'a Smeasam, head of the Political Committee of Sadrists and former Minister of T&A contacted Areabi and informed him of the existence of "masterpieces" at the Martyr Sadr Offices in Baghdad.

### Kidnapped Journalist Released in Baghdad:

- A kidnapped correspondent for a U.S.-funded radio was released after going missing October 22.



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